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**AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION**

Sir:

Prior to prosecution on the merits in the present application and in response to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2001, please enter the following amendment and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-3, 9-14, 17, 21-24, 27, 29, 34, 36, 43 and 44 as follows:

1. (Amended) A microparticle having an adsorbent surface, said microparticle comprising:

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